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In re U.S. Patent Application of)
Wakabayashi et al.)
Application Number: 10/038,717)
Filed: January 8, 2002))
For: A Method of Analysis of DNA Sequence)

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence disclosures dated February 14, 2002, the period for response to which is to expire on March 14, 2002. Applicants hereby resubmit the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences and the statement as filed concurrently.

REMARKS

The accompanying sequence listing in computer readable format and statement under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(e) and (f), along with the following remarks, are being submitted as a full and complete response to the Notice dated February 14, 2002. In particular, all the lines after line No. 170 SEQUENCE LISTING FREE TEXT have been deleted, paragraphs with an excessive length have been shortened, and missing blank line separators have been added for compliance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to review the attached sequence listing and statement, to proceed with examination of the application on the merits, and to indicate the allowability of the claims.

Substantive consideration of the claims is respectfully solicited. Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the address and phone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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